of the Palestine Liberation Organization to participate in the debate and that that invitation would confer upon it the same rights of participation as those conferred on a Member State when it was invited to participate under rule 37 of the provisional rules of procedure.

Adopted by 11 votes to 1 (United States of America), with 3 abstentions (France, Japan, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland).

## **Resolution 523 (1982)**

## of 18 October 1982

The Security Council,

Having heard the statement of the President of the Republic of Lebanon,44

**Recalling** its resolutions 425 (1978), 426 (1978) and 519 (1982),

Reaffirming its resolutions 508 (1982) and 509 (1982), as well as all subsequent resolutions on the situation in Lebanon

Having studied the report of the Secretary-General<sup>45</sup> and taking note of its conclusions and recommendations,

Responding to the request of the Government of Lebanon,

- 1. Decides to extend the present mandate of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon for a further interim period of three months, that is, until 19 January 1983;
- 2. Insists that there shall be no interference under any pretext with the operations of the Force and that it shall have full freedom of movement in the discharge of its mandate:
- 3. Authorizes the Force during that period to carry out, with the consent of the Government of Lebanon, interim tasks in the humanitarian and administrative fields, as indicated in resolutions 511 (1982) and 519 (1982), and to assist the Government of Lebanon in ensuring the security of all the inhabitants of the area without any discrimination:
- 4. Requests the Secretary-General, within the three-month period, to consult with the Government of Lebanon and to report to the Security Council on ways and means of ensuring the full implementation of the mandate of the Force as defined in resolutions 425 (1978) and 426 (1978), and the relevant decisions of the Council;
- 5. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the Security Council on the progress of his consultations.

Adopted at the 2400th meeting by 13 votes to none, with 2 abstentions (Poland, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics).

## **Decisions**

In a letter dated 27 October 1982,46 the Secretary-General informed the Council that, in accordance with the decision

ecember 190. 46 S/15468. of the Government of Nepal, the Nepalese contingent would be repatriated from the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon. Subject to the usual consultations, he intended to accept the offer of Finland to provide a replacement contingent of equivalent strength for service with the Force. In a letter dated 28 October,<sup>47</sup> the President of the Council informed the Secretary-General as follows:

"I wish to inform you that I have brought your letter dated 27 October 1982<sup>46</sup> concerning the organization of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon to the attention of the members of the Security Council. They considered the matter in informal consultations on 28 October and agreed with the proposals contained in your letter."

At its 2401st meeting, on 12 November 1982, the Council decided to invite the representatives of Morocco, Niger and Senegal to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the item entitled:

"The situation in the occupied Arab territories:

"Letter dated 5 November 1982 from the Permanent Representative of Morocco to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/15481);<sup>43</sup>

"Letter dated 9 November 1982 from the Permanent Representative of Niger to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/15483)".43

At the same meeting, the Council also decided, by a vote, that an invitation should be accorded to the representative of the Palestine Liberation Organization to participate in the debate and that that invitation would confer upon it the same rights of participation as those conferred on a Member State when it was invited to participate under rule 37 of the provisional rules of procedure.

Adopted by 12 votes to 1 (United States of America), with 2 abstentions (France, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland).

At the same meeting, the Council further decided to extend an invitation, under rule 39 of the provisional rules of procedure, to the Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.

At its 2403rd meeting, on 29 November 1982, the Council proceeded with the discussion of the item entitled "The situation in the Middle East: report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (\$\( \) (5493) \). (43)

<sup>44</sup> Ibid., Thirty-seventh Year, 2400th meeting.

<sup>45</sup> Ibid., Thirty-seventh Year, Supplement for October, November and December 1982, document S/15455 and Corr.1

<sup>4</sup> S 15469.